

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 1. (previously presented) A method of making a spun-
2 bond web comprising the steps of:

3 (a) forming filaments of thermoplastic synthetic resin;
4 (b) collecting said filaments in a spun-bond web;
5 (c) precompacting the spun-bond web with a calender;
6 (d) treating said filaments the precompacted spun-bond
7 web with a wetting agent; and
8 (e) [[(d)]] thereafter hydrodynamically consolidating
9 said spun-bond web.

1 2. (original) The method defined in claim 1 wherein
2 said filaments are produced with a spinnerette and are then cooled.

1 3. (original) The method defined in claim 2 wherein
2 said filaments are collected on a continuously moved foraminous
3 belt.

1 4. (original) The method defined in claim 3, further
2 comprising drawing air through said belt from below said belt in a
3 region at which said filaments are collected on said belt with at
4 least one suction device.

1 5. (original) The method defined in claim 4 wherein
2 said filaments are treated with said wetting agent after the
3 filaments have been collected into a spun-bond web on said belt.

1 6. (original) The method defined in claim 5 wherein
2 said wetting agent is a surfactant.

1 7. (original) The method defined in claim 6 wherein
2 said spun-bond web is hydrodynamically consolidated by training
3 water jets thereon.